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Cleveland, O., July 27.—Among the enthusiastic cheers of nearly 10,000 people Crescents, the world's champion trotting stallion, again demonstrated that he is the peer of all trotters by trotting a mile over the Glenville track in 2:02.3. This establishes a new world's trotting record for both sexes, replacing the former world's record of 2:04.7 held by The Abbott.

The circumstances connected with this remarkable performance were anything but conducive to fast time, as, owing to the heavy rains of the night before, the track was not in the best of condition, and it was 6:15 p. m. before the track was found to be in sufficiently good shape to warrant making the attempt. At that time the sun's heat had been replaced by cool breezes.

Even then there were but very few horsemen that looked for a mile better than 2:05. After having been given several preliminary miles, Ketchum came out with the stallion to attempt what seemed an impossible feat. Ketchum nodded for the start, and on the third second the horse trotted like a machine.

Reached the Half in 1:01. As Crescents swung into the harness he was joined by a score of runners, and although many predicted that the trotting was such as would retard his speed, he reached the half in 1:01, and the immense crowd cheered. The three-quarters mile was reached in 1:43.3, and as the stallion trotted into the stretch, runner on either side, his fractional machine-like stride was fairly cutting up the distance.

Never once faltering, notwithstanding the terrific clip, he fairly flew the wire, besting all his opponents by his indomitable courage and almost human intelligence, not being touched once by the whip, his pace urging being the driving force. The crowd beats of the accompanying runners. As the time for the mile was announced—2:02.3—and the immense crowd realized that a world's record had been established, Ketchum and his favorite stallion were tethered over an ovation such as has been seldom witnessed on a race track. Thousands of enthusiastic people rushed out on the track and Ketchum was lifted from the sulky and carried to the grandstands on the shoulders of admirers. After a short cheer the air, and the name of Crescents was upon the lips of every one present.

BUYING REINDEERS.

Lieut. Bethoff Purchased 500 in Siberia For the United States Government.

Washington, July 27.—A cablegram has been received at the interior department from Lieut. Bethoff, who was sent to Siberia to purchase reindeer for use in Alaska, stating that he had arrived at Vladivostok and had purchased 500 for 135 rubles each, and had the prospect of securing 1,000 more, with a thousand rubles apiece. Lieut. Bethoff asks for money to charter a steamer at Vladivostok to take the reindeer to Port Clarence. It is hoped that the department can reach Port Clarence by the last of August. The price of the deer is about \$6.70 each in American money.

WORLD'S RECORD BROKEN.

Will Stinson Made a Record Mile on a Six Lap Track at Providence, R. I., in 1:24.1-5.

Providence, R. I., July 27.—Will Stinson broke the world's record for the paced mile on a six lap track at the Coliseum, riding the distance in 1:24.1-5. He made two attempts and was successful in the second. The previous record was 1:27, made at Baltimore by Archie McElachlan last season. Stinson received \$500 and the builder of the track a like amount, offered as a bonus in the contract when the record was broken.

Conspired Against the Sultan. London, July 27.—According to a telegram from Constantinople, says the Vienna correspondent of the Daily News, "Chorif Cafa Pacha has been arrested in his house, together with 26 guests, principally Egyptians, all of whom are accused of an extensive conspiracy against the sultan."

A Sinking Rain.

St. Joseph, Mo., July 27.—The heaviest rain of this year fell over northwestern Missouri, soaking the ground completely and effectually breaking the drought which has covered a period of six weeks. Corn and sorghum crops will be saved, and pasturage will be greatly benefited.

Thirty Buildings Burned.

Montreal, July 27.—A conflagration and 29 houses were destroyed by fire Saturday morning at La Prairie. Loss \$100,000.

UNEXPECTED MOVE.

Welders in the McKeesport National Tube Works Compelled to Sign Individual Contracts.

Pittsburgh, Pa., July 27.—The National Tube Works Co., at McKeesport, has made an unexpected move, intended to checkmate the Amalgamated association. The skilled workmen have been asked to sign individual contracts to practically repudiate any union labor, and they have been given but a short time to think the matter over. It is understood that should they not sign the contracts they will find their positions vacated.

It became known that last Thursday evening 600 welders of the mills were paid off and taken into the office of the general superintendent where they were presented with individual contracts, to be signed for at least a year. Some demurred while others signed. The move was unexpected, and with their cooperation the big plant might be closed down. With them in line the plant will probably keep running as though nothing had happened. It was intimated by friends of the welders that they would all sign the contract.

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Definite announcement that the officials of the American Sheet Steel Co. would start the W. Devoes Wood mill in McKeesport as a non-union plant on Monday reached the headquarters of the Amalgamated association. The news was received in silence.

That the movement would not be permitted to be made without a decision arrived to check it was subsequently shown by long and earnest conferences that took place. President Stauffer was closely confined to his private office and there was constant stream of visitors calling on him, who were shown in as soon as possible. These visitors were mostly mill workers, and a number were recognized as McKeesport residents. The door to the conference room was kept closed and no one was allowed to get within hearing distance of the place.

A LIVELY LAWSUIT.

Four Members of the Bar Figure to Sue a Student at the University Court (Clarksville, Tenn.).

Clarksville, Tenn., July 27.—A sen- sational shooting affair took place in the chemistry room, in which four members of the bar, William Daniel, esq., and J. R. and F. C. George Gilbert took part. The trouble arose over the lawsuit in which young Daniel and F. C. Gilbert were opposing counsel. The other two, J. R. and F. C. Gilbert, were shot in the left arm and in the right hand. Five shots were exchanged.

SEVERAL ENCOUNTERS.

Had Blood Among Boer Prisoners at St Helena Over Taking the Oath of Allegiance.

Jameson, St. Helena, July 27.—Had blood among the Boer prisoners in St. Helena over the question of taking the oath of allegiance to King Edward has led to so much fighting and disorder that it has been necessary to remove those who have taken the oath to a separate enclosure.

There were several encounters, and the vigilance committee of the islanders collected a number of taken the oath to indelible indignities.

The Ringleaders Have Been in Prison.

Lord Kitchener's Command. Pretoria, July 27.—It is reported here that Lord Kitchener will give his command August 3 and proceed to England, where he will remain five months, then taking on the supreme command in India, and Sir Bindon Blood is expected to succeed him in South Africa.

Steam Laundry Destroyed.

Bonhomme, Mo., July 27.—A fire broke out in the rear of the Bonhomme steam laundry destroyed \$5000 worth of property on Main street. The entire population of the town turned out to assist the fire department.

Milwaukee Mechanists.

Milwaukee, Wis., July 27.—Business Agent A. W. Holman, of the striking makers of money, when talking on the strike impossible. The various plants will soon be running to full capacity.

Altogether Officers.

Detroit, Mich., July 27.—The Western Association of Cigar Box Manufacturers elected the following officers: President, Frank Parker, Milwaukee; vice president, A. F. Fisher, Chicago; secretary, treasurer, E. H. Deffenbach, Louisville.

To Aid Steel Strikers.

New York, July 27.—The union cutters of the steel industry, notified of his selection as a member of the court until he receives the precept, which was mailed to him. A copy of the precept also will be sent to Adm. Dewey and Mr. Adams. Behan and Schley.

PRECEPT ISSUED.

The Scope of the Schley Court of Inquiry Outlined by Secretary Long.

ALL THE IMPORTANT FEATURES NAMED

Judge Advocate General Lemley Will Now Proceed With the Preparation of His Case.

The Court Will Probably Sit For Several Months. More Than Likely Until Congress convenes in December.

Washington, July 27.—The precept to the Schley court of inquiry, which the navy department has been preparing for several days, was given to the public. It is a document addressed to Adm. Dewey, as president of the court instructing him concerning the matters to be investigated. While it directs that the "entire matter" of Adm. Schley's conduct during the operations in the West Indian waters shall be investigated, making use of the very words employed by Adm. Schley in his letter to Secretary Long. It also selects certain distinctive acts of the rear admiral concerning the facts and propriety of which it calls for particular investigation. These points cover chiefly Adm. Schley's alleged delay with the flying squadron at Cienfuegos, the slowness of his progress toward Santiago after leaving Cienfuegos, his retrograde movement toward Key West, the effectiveness of the bombardment of the Spanish

fleet at the ranges used in the reconnaissance of May 31, the use of the coal supply on various ships when he telegraphed the department that he would return to Key West, the loss of the Brooklyn at Santiago, the conduct of his reports, and matters relating to the controversy between him and Commander Hudson over the alleged collusion which is said to have taken place aboard the Brooklyn when the loop was made during the naval engagement of Santiago. With the exception of the last two counts, the others practically sum up the criticisms of Adm. Schley's conduct made by Secretary Long to the senate, which the secretary characterized as Schley's "reprehensible conduct." One of the important points in the precept is the direction to the court to report in its conclusions "all the pertinent facts which it may deem to be advisable to be established, together with its opinion and recommendations in the premises."

THE DROUGHT BROKEN.

General Rains Throughout Kansas Came Too Late to Materially Benefit Corn.

Topeka, Kan., July 27.—General rains throughout Kansas have caused an effectual break in the drought. The rains came too late to be of material benefit to the corn, but will result in plenty of stock water and giving new life to the pastures. The main in Topeka lasted an hour. Two reporting rains are: Pittsburg, Lawrence, Larned, Leavenworth, Emporia, Parsons, Ells, Lyndon, Sola. At the last-named town corn is in fine condition.

Enormous Damage by Lightning.

Detroit, Mich., July 27.—Reports from all over Michigan indicate that the severe electrical storm was widespread and did enormous damage. Scores of barns filled with harvest were burned. Two people were killed. Many residences and churches were struck by lightning.

Green Goods Now Caught.

Washington, July 27.—Chief Post Office Inspector Cochran was advised of the arrest at Mauch Chunk, Pa. of F. Wallace, considered to be the most dangerous green-goods man with whom the department has had to deal.

World's Supply of Cotton.

New Orleans, July 27.—Secretary Heister's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton shows a total of 2,308,567, against 1,413,675 of last year, of which 1,407,867, against 83,875 last year, figures as American.

POCKET SPITTOONS.

The Congress on Tuberculosis Has Passed a Resolution Recommending Their Use.

London, July 27.—At the final meeting of the congress on tuberculosis held Friday under the presidency of Lord Derby resolutions were adopted in favor of legislation toward the suppression of expectoration in public places, and recommending the notification of the proper authorities in case of phthisis and the use of pocket spittoons, asserting that these sanitary provisions were indispensable in order to diminish tuberculosis. A resolution was adopted expressing the opinion of the congress that the health officers should continue every effort to prevent the spread of tuberculosis through milk and meat and as that doubts concerning human immunity from bovine tuberculosis issued by Dr. Koch were of vital importance to the public health and the agricultural interests of the country, the government should immediately institute a rigid inquiry into the identity of human and bovine tuberculosis.

BATTLESHIP MAINE.

The New War Vessel Was Launched at the Crumple Ship Yard in Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, July 27.—The new battleship Maine was launched at the Crumple ship yard Saturday morning, all arrangements having been completed some days ago.

Mrs. Mary Peble Anderson, of Portland, Me., chartered the new ship and broke the bottle of wine.

Gov. Hill and staff of Maine, and a number of naval officials from Washington arrived here early Saturday morning.

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